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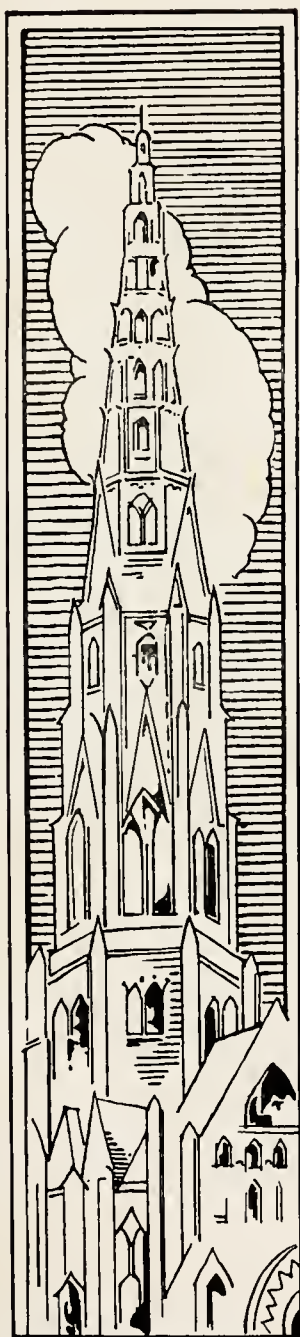
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The Spire

*The Church,
Crusader-like,
Her flaming sword points high,
Inspiring hearts and minds and souls
To God!*



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DEDICATION

We, the members of the staff of the 1935 SPIRE, the year book of Belmont Abbey College, take great pleasure in dedicating this second volume to a devoted alumnus, a resident of New York City. He is a man whom we know to be a sterling Catholic layman, a master executive in insurance circles and a generous benefactor of our college, an institution that he loves so well.

Our book is his book. With all our hearts we offer it to

PAUL L. HAID, '04

Foreword

*"Time is a sort of river of passing events,
and strong is its current; no sooner is a
thing brought to sight than it is swept
by and another takes its place . . ."*
(*"Meditations"* of Marcus Aurelius.)

THIS SECOND VOLUME OF THE SPIRE IS DESIGNED AS AN OBSTACLE IN THE RIVER OF TIME. TOO MANY PLEASANT MEMORIES, TOO MANY RECOLLECTIONS OF VICTORIES (MORAL, INTELLECTUAL, PHYSICAL), TOO MANY FRIENDSHIPS MADE AT THE ABBEY ARE WORTHY OF PERPETUATION.

THE COLLEGE EXPERIENCES OF 1934-1935 ARE HERE PRESERVED, SO THAT THEY MAY MAKE PLEASANT READING IN THE AFTER-YEARS.

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THE THIRTY SEVEN



Path in the Pines

CAMPUS SCENES



COLLEGE AVENUE



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING



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THE MONASTERY AND THE COLLEGE



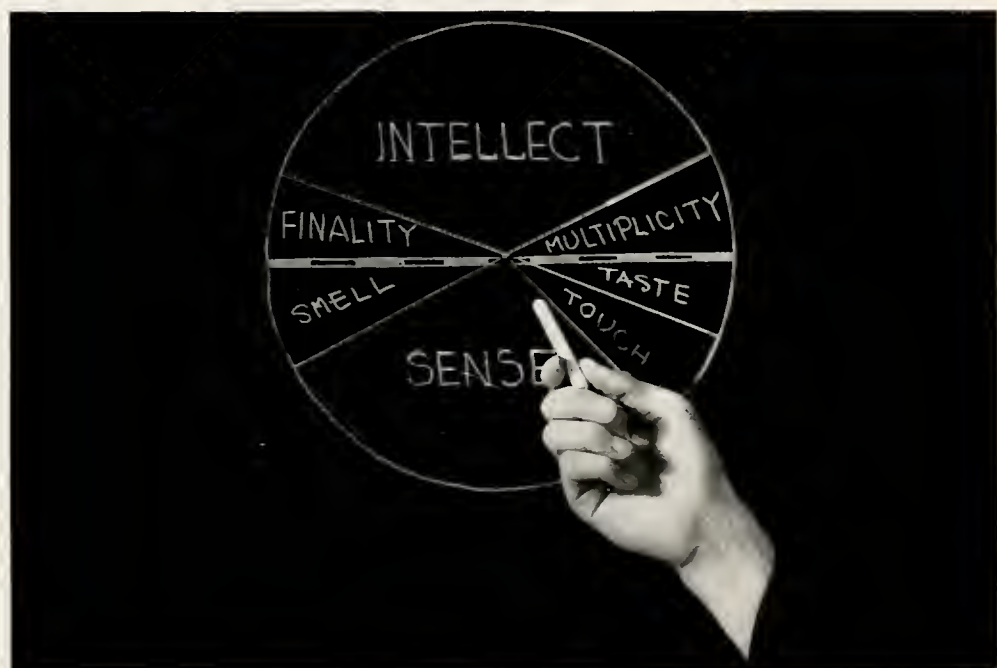
IN A MONASTERY GARDEN



HAID GYMNASIUM



Bridge Near the Grotto



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Student Assistant in Science.



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GEORGE ALBRIGHT

BELMONT, N. C.

Entered the Freshman class in 1933. Came to us from Belmont High. Expects to enter Davidson next Fall in order to prepare for the sacred ministry. Day Student Editor for *Contact* in 1935. Business Manager for SPIRE in 1935.



JOHN ARMSTRONG

BELMONT, N. C.

Entered the Freshman class in 1933. Former student of Belmont High. Johnnie was a Varsity Football man in 1933 and 1934. Also played Varsity Basketball in 1934. Member of the Monogram Clubs of 1933, 1934, 1935. Expects to enter the University of North Carolina.



HENRY BOLLMAN

GLOUCESTER, N. J.

Entered the Freshman class in 1933, coming to us all the way from Jersey. He was graduated from St. Mary's High School, Gloucester, in 1933. "The College Storekeeper." Member of the 1934 and 1935 Glee Clubs and also the 1934 and 1935 Choir. Expects to enter the novitiate and become a Benedictine.



MELVIN DENGATE

CHARLESTON, S. C.

Entered as a Freshman in 1933. Former student of Bishop England High of Charleston. Member of the Choir, 1933-1935. Member of the Glee Club, 1933-1935. Piedmonter, 1933-1935. Varsity Football, 1933-1935. Varsity Basketball, 1933-1935. Varsity Baseball, 1933-1935. Monogram Club, 1933-1935. Also an actor.

A. TERENCE DORIS

AUGUSTA, GA.

Terry entered our lowest high school class in 1929. Contact, 1933-1935. SPIRE, 1934-1935. Varsity Manager of Basketball, 1935. Piedmont Club Treasurer, 1933-1935. President of Freshman Class, 1934. President of Sophomore Class, 1935. Member of the Altar Boys' Society, 1932-1935. Expects to enter Georgetown and study law.



LEO HELLIWELL

CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Entered First Year High in 1929. Member of the Piedmont Club, 1933-1935. Leo also hopes to enter the Georgetown School of Law up in the Nation's capital.



GEORGE HOWE

BELMONT, N. C.

George came to the Abbey as a Freshman in 1933. He made his high school course at Belmont High. He expects to matriculate at the University of North Carolina in the Fall.



WILLIAM FORD

BELMONT, N. C.

Little Billy rode his little bicycle up to the Abbey in 1929 and registered in the First Year High. He was a member of the Piedmont Club in 1934-1935. Member of the Altar Boys' Society, 1932-1935. He also expects to enter—yes—the Georgetown School of Law in Washington, D. C.





JONATHAN JONES

BELMONT, N. C.

"Jay-Jay" came to us late in life, entering the Sophomore Class in the Fall of 1934. He was a student at Boonville High and Appalachian College. Baseball, 1935. "Jay-Jay" intends to enter the Appalachian School of Medicine next year.



JAMES KERNAN

CAMDEN, N. J.

Jimmy (Finklestein) Kernan came to us in the Fall of 1929, so he is one of the Old Guard. Member of the Varsity Basketball Squad since 1930. Monogram Club, 1932-1935. Piedmonter, 1934-1935. Altar Boys' Society, 1932-1935. Baseball, 1930-1935. Intends to enter the novitiate and become a Benedictine.



ROBERT LAW

PAW CREEK, N. C.

Bob Law first drove his "fivver" over to the Abbey in the Fall of 1933. He was a member of the Abbey Glee Club, 1934-1935, and a member of the Piedmont Club, 1934-1935. Mechanically inclined, he intends to buy up all the mills in Gaston County some day.



DANIEL LINEHAN

PORTSMOUTH, VA.

Dan came to us as a Freshman in 1933. He was graduated from St. Joseph's High in Portsmouth. Member of the Boxing Team, 1933-1934. Member of the Glee Club, 1934-1935. Manager of Boxing, 1934-1935. Intends to enter St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, and study for the priesthood.

FRANK LOVEN
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Frank entered the Abbey as a Freshman in 1933. He was graduated from Charlotte High in the class of 1933. Frank intends to enter—yes, another—the Georgetown Pre-Medical next year. (There'll probably be an "Abbey Club" in Georgetown!)



CHARLES O'KEEFFE
RICHMOND, VA.

"Cholly" also came to the Abbey as a Freshman in the Fall of 1933. He was graduated from St. Patrick's High. Member of the Piedmont Club, 1933-1935. Member of the Altar Boys' Society, 1933-1935. Intends to enter St. Mary's Seminary, Baltimore, to study for the priesthood.



PAUL MCINTOSH
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

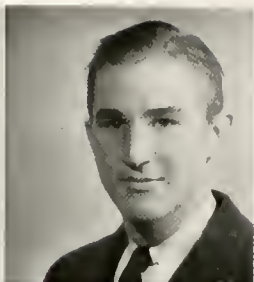
"Mac" came to us from Charlotte High in 1933. While there he made quite a hit as a "pug," so, naturally, he was a member of the Abbey Boxing Squad, 1933-1935. Yes, he intends to enter Georgetown Pre-Medical next year.



DENNIS MYERS
CHARLOTTE, N. C.

"Dinny" entered the Abbey Freshman Class in the Fall of 1933, also coming to us from Charlotte High and Duke University. And he's another one for Georgetown Pre-Medical next year.





JOSEPH MEYER

RICHMOND, VA.

Joe came to us as a Sophomore in September, 1934, after a Freshman year in the University of Richmond. He was graduated from Benedictine High in Richmond. Member of Varsity Football team, 1934. Member of Glee Club, 1935. Member of Choir, 1935. Member of Monogram Club, 1935. Intends to go back to Richmond University.



KENNETH MOORE

MOUNT HOLLY, N. C.

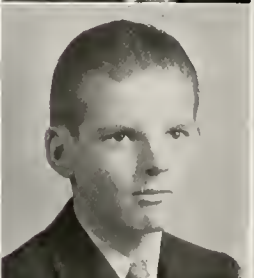
"Ken" (Little Horsie) Moore came to the Abbey as a Freshman in 1933. Was graduated from Mount Holly High. Member Varsity Football, 1933-1934. Member Monogram Club, 1933-1934. Member Piedmont Club, 1934.



KENNETH MURPHY

BELMONT, N. C.

Ken Murphy entered the Abbey as a Freshman in the Fall of 1933. He was graduated from Belmont High. Intends to enter the University of North Carolina next year.



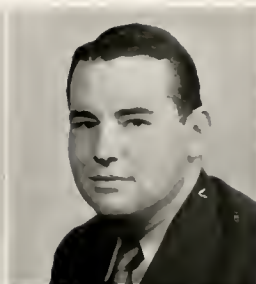
ANDREW SAUER

ONIEDO, FLA.

"Handy Andy" Sauer came to us as a Freshman in the Fall of 1933. Member of the Piedmont Club, 1933-1934. Due to illness, had to leave the Abbey early in 1935 and return to his Florida home.

JOHN SEDINGER
HUNTINGTON, W. VA.

"Long John" came to the Abbey as a Freshman in 1933. Was graduated from St. Joseph's High in Huntington. Member of the Choir, 1933-1935. Member of the Glee Club, 1933-1935. Varsity Football, 1933-1935. "Keeper-of-the-Gate" John had to leave for home early in 1935.



EDWARD SHEEHAN
AUGUSTA, GA.

Bud came here in 1929. Member of the Choir, 1930-1934. Contact Staff, 1933-1935. Piedmonter, 1932-1935. SPIRE Staff, 1933-1935. Manager Varsity Football, 1935. Monogram Club, 1935. Little Theatre League, 1933-1935.



J. P. SMITH
PAW CREEK, N. C.

"J. P." entered the Abbey as a Freshman in the Fall of 1932, after graduating from Paw Creek High. He was forced to leave school, but re-entered in 1934. Intends to do post-graduate work at the Abbey next year and receive his B.S. degree.



JOHN S. STEELE
SPARTANBURG, S. C.

Johnnie came in 1933, as a Freshman, after graduating from Spartanburg High. Piedmonter, 1933-1935 (President in 1935). Choir member, 1933-1935. Varsity Football, 1933-1934. Contact Staff, 1933-1935.





CLIFFORD STULTS

SAVANNAH, GA.

"Kippy" was one of the Old Guard, having come to the Abbey High School Department in 1929. Varsity Football, 1930-1935 (All-State, 1934), (Captain, 1935). Choir member, 1931-1935. Glee Club, 1932-1935. Piedmonter, 1931-1935. Little Theatre League, 1933-1935. Monogram Club, 1932-1935.



GEORGE TOLLEFSON

NEWPORT, R. I.

George came as a Freshman in 1933, after graduating from Rogers High, Newport. Piedmonter, 1933-1935. Editor-in-Chief SPIRE (this one). Contact Staff, 1934-1935. Varsity Football, 1933-1934. Monogram Club, 1933-1935. Little Theatre League, 1933-1935. Yes. Georgetown Pre-Medical next year.



JOHN VAUGHAN

RALEIGH, N. C.

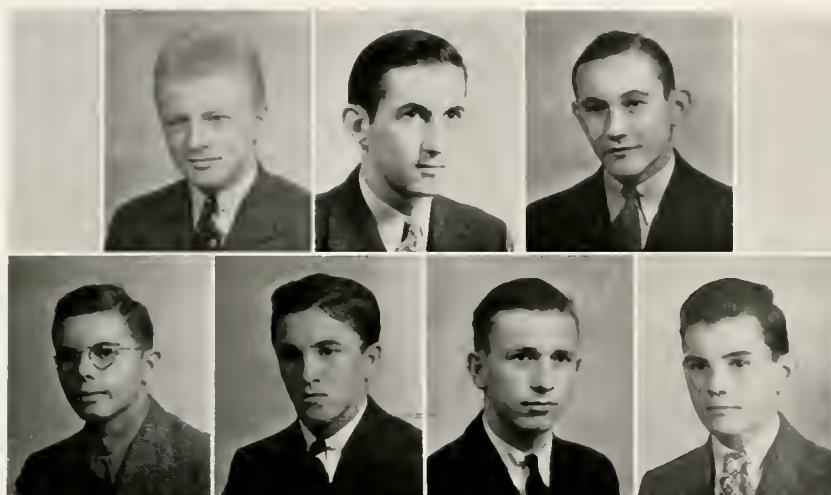
"Ducky" Vaughan came as a Freshman in 1933, graduating from Sacred Heart in Raleigh. Member of the Choir, 1933-1935. Member of the Glee Club, 1933-1935. Member of the Little Theatre League, 1933-1934. Intends to enter St. Mary's to study for the priesthood.



JOSEPH WARD

CAMDEN, N. J.

Joe entered as a Freshman in the Fall of 1933. Was graduated from Camden High. Member of the Piedmont Club, 1934-1935. Member of the Contact Staff in 1934 (Ramblings). Intends to enter the novitiate and become a Benedictine.



	CAMPBELL	DAROIS	FRAZER
ILDERTON		KEARNS	LANGHORNE
			LOMINAC

High School Graduates

RAYMOND AMBROSE CAMPBELL
"TESS" BALTIMORE, MD.

Entered in 1931. Football, 1932-1934
Baseball, 1934. Basketball (Varsity), 1935.
Altar Boys' Society, 1932-1935. Mono-
gram Club, 1934-1935. Piedmont Club,
1934-1935.

ARTHUR EVERETT DAROIS
"ART" CHARLOTTE, N. C.

Entered in 1932. Basketball, 1934.
Piedmont Club, 1932-1935.

THEODORE FRAZER
"THEO" CHARLESTON, W. VA.

Entered in 1932. Football, 1932. Var-
sity Football in 1934. Piedmont Club,
1934. Choir, 1934. Boxing, 1934. Glee
Club, 1934. Altar Boys' Society, 1934-
1935.

HORACE GREELY ILBERTON
'INGLEBLOOM' HIGH POINT, N. C.
Entered in 1934. Football, 1934

TIMOTHY JOSEPH KEARNS, JR.
"T" AUGUSTA, GA.

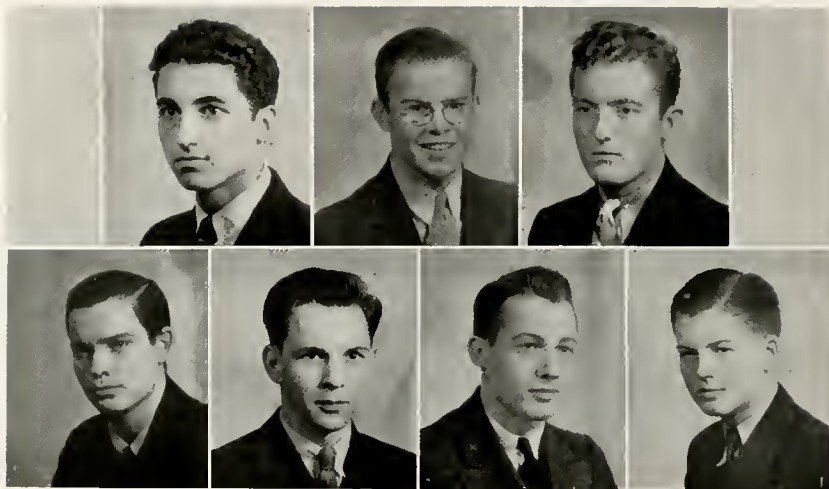
Entered in 1931. Football, 1931-1933.
Varsity Football in 1934. Baseball, 1933-
1934. Basketball, 1933-1934. Piedmont
Club, 1934. Altar Boys' Society, 1931-
1934. Glee Club, 1934.

WILLIAM THOMAS LANGHORNE
'TOMMY' NORFOLK, VA.

Entered in 1932. Basketball, 1934-1935.
Piedmont Club, 1934-1935.

JOHN JOSEPH LOMINAC
'JOHNNY' ASHEVILLE, N. C.

Entered in 1934. Boxing, 1934. Foot-
ball, 1934.



RODGERS

MOSES

TAYLOR

O'DONNELL

WELCH

REILLY

WILLIFORD

High School Graduates

DEWAN MOSES

"DEE" BELMONT, N. C.
Entered in 1931. Came from St. Leo's
in Belmont. Altar Boys' Society, 1933.

FRONTIS JOSEPH RODGERS

"GUS" SALUDA, S. C.
Entered in 1931. Football, 1932-1934.
Baseball, 1932-1934. Piedmont Club,
1932-1934. Altar Boys' Society, 1932-
1934.

JOHN F. O'DONNELL

"JOHNNY" ARDMORE, PA.
Entered in 1931. Football, 1931-1933.
Varsity Football in 1934. Boxing, 1934-
1935.

GEORGE BOWER TAYLOR

"CHISLER" MOUNT HOLLY, N. C.
Entered in 1931. Football, 1931-1933.
Piedmont Club, 1932-1934.

CLEVELAND DOUGLAS WELCH, JR.

"DOUG" CRAMERTON, N. C.
Entered in 1933. SPIRE Staff (High
School Editor).

J. EDWARD REILLY

"EDDIE" CHARLESTON, S. C.
Entered in 1934. Varsity Football, 1934.
Varsity Basketball, 1935.

WADE HAMPTON WILLIFORD, III

"WADE" GASTONIA, N. C.
Entered in 1934.



Underclassmen



Left to Right—Front Row: COGGIN, DARBY, DIXON, MAY, ROCKETT, BRUCH, LANSCH, MOSS, ORSINI. Second Row: SILVERSTEIN, ARMSTRONG, G., WITTEN, NORRIS, HEYE, JENKINS, C., MISCALLY, JENKINS, L., STANT, ANDERSON, ARMSTRONG, J., MCKEE, SANTO, CRADDOCK, DAVIS. Back Row: DENEHY, REID, RAP- POLD, WILKINSON, MICHAEL, BALLARD, KRAUSE, NEAL, KENDRICK, WETZELL.

The Freshman Class

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CHARLES NORRIS, Charlotte, N. C.

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Vice-President

Secretary

Treasurer

As a class unit, the Frosh participated in many college functions and captured quite a few distinctions in scholastic, dramatic, musical, literary and sports events. Contrary to the usual assemblage of "greenies," they have turned out to be seasoned veterans and serious rivals of their upperclassmen. Scanning the Frosh milestones on the way to the City of "Sophos," we view:

The Abbey Phi Beta Kappa Society, the honorary English organization, has claimed Anderson, Armstrong, G., Bruch, Coggin, Darby, Dixon, Heye, Jenkins, L., McKee, May and Norris as the intellectual geni.

Coggin captured a part in "Milton's Daughters," and Witten starred in "And This Was Marshal Ney."

Among the Freshmen, too, Father Francis found the mainstays for his Choir and Glee Club. In the literary field Dixon captured the coveted editorship of *Contact*. His editorials were the envy of his more experienced Sophomore colleagues.

The Frosh were prominent in sports. Santo, Reilly, Bumgardner, Coggin and Stant figured prominently in the major sports, all winning the varsity "A".

Plugging, plunging, endeavoring to do a little bit more, these precedent-breakers augur well to make revolutionary history as Sophs. Follow up your lead, fellows!



Left to Right *Front Row*: KEARNS, O'DONNELL, J., ILBERTON, FRAZER, LOMINAC, ROGERS, CAMPBELL, TAYLOR, LANGHORNE, WADDELL. *Second Row*: ROURKE, BRAUN, SANDIFER, HAEZEL, ATIENZA, SARGEANT, MAGEE, WELCH, ULMER, O'DONNELL, E., DIXON, MAURO, WELCH, WILLIFORD. *Back Row*: CHADWICK, CRONIN, KARAS, BURGER, BRENNAN, GORDON, DAWSON, TATUM, HARRIS, STANTON.

A High School Group

While quite a few of the Highschoolers were missing for the picture, these boys that are pictured were those that upheld the prestige of the "Preps."

In athletics, Kearns, O'Donnell, J., Frazer, Campbell, Mauro and Langhorne were to the fore, winning Varsity letters. Atienza was manager of baseball. The "Ramblers" won the Kiwanis Sunday School title in basketball and received gold basketballs as their rewards.

Most of the boys of the Altar Society came from the High School Department. Some of them were prominent in the Choir.

The Fourth Academic play: "Well, I Declare!" was well received on Amateur Night.

Boys do grow up—and Abbey expects great things from her Highschoolers when they get into the College Department.



CAST OF "MILTON'S DAUGHTERS"

From left to right: GEORGE TOLLEFSON, ESTELLE CUDDY, MELVIN DENGATE, JULIA SPRATT, WALTER COGGIN AND MARGERY VENNING.

Some of the "Abbey Players"

John Milton, George Tollefson; Mary Milton, Estelle Cuddy; Rodney Burton, Melvin Dengate; Deborah Milton, Julia Spratt; Dunstan Carmichael, Walter Coggin; Anne Milton, Margery Venning.

"Milton's Daughters," written by Father Placid, was presented twice. It had its premiere at the Abbey Auditorium on March 1. It was presented again at the Charlotte Little Theatre on March 5. Both performances were well attended.

PRESS COMMENTS

"'Milton's Daughters' was perfect . . . the cast for the play was admirably chosen."—*The Gastonia Gazette*.

"The entire cast showed marked ability . . . George Tollefson presented a remarkable characterization of John Milton, the English poet."—*The Charlotte News*.

"The play presented a theme never before used on stage or screen or in fiction; even this fact would have made the play entertaining and interesting . . . Mr. Tollefson's portrayal of Milton was consistent, convincing and sympathetic. His lines were delivered with great assurance."—*The Charlotte Observer*.



ACTIVITIES



Left to Right: DARBY, COGGIN, SHEEHAN, TOLLEFSON, ALBRIGHT, DORIS, WELCH.

The Spire Staff

It was through the combined work and enthusiasm of these men that the 1935 SPIRE became a reality. Tollefson, Editor-in-Chief, offered many splendid suggestions and encouraged the other staff members to undertake a bigger and better SPIRE than that of last year—nearly double the size. Coggin was an able assistant. Sheehan handled the material on the Senior Class. Darby contributed his bit toward the Frosh write-up. Albright held down the onerous post of money-snatcher and due to his untiring hounding of business men has been advised to leave town as quickly as possible. Doris wrapped up your SPIRE so nicely and saw that the postman delivered it with his usual winning (?) smile. Welch took care of the High School notes and furnished the material on the High graduates. A fine bunch of fellows. To Tollefson, Sheehan, Albright and Doris, who leave the Abbey, we can say that we will sorely miss you. May your mantles of wisdom, tact, enthusiasm and industry fall upon these other members who will take your places on the 1936 SPIRE.



Left to Right: TOLLEFSON, STEELE, SHEEHAN, DIXON, DORIS, ALBRIGHT, WARD.

The Contact Staff

Working on a school paper takes much of a student's time. These men have sacrificed many a pleasant afternoon's leisure and have kept many a Mazda glowing into the wee sma' hours to see that "Contact goes on." Late once or twice, through no fault of their own, the paper has been a most welcome visitor at the refectory tables once a month.

Under the editorship of Dixon, the paper had a snap and readableness enjoyed by all the students. His editorials excited much comment. Steele's sports accounts were handled with the aplomb of a Jake Wade. Tollefson, in the role of contributing editor, was the paper's "last-minute-man" and, toward the end of the year, switched over to "Ramblings," taking up where Joe Ward left off. Joe's wit made the paper sparkle and, at times, sizzle. Sheehan, the old war horse, regularly turned in his Pointed Piedmont Paragraphs, one of the star columns of the paper. Albright's nose for news made him the Walter Winchell of the Day Students. Terry Doris, the staff's veteran, capably handled (as a veteran would) the goings and comings of the Alumni. Paul Lynch (not in the picture) deserves a bumper of praise for lugging the papers to the post office each month and instructing the postmaster as to their quick delivery to your mail-box. A fine staff—we may not see their like again!



Left to Right—*Front Row:* ROGERS (Secretary), STEELE (President), FATHER REMBERT (Moderator), TOLLEFSON (Vice-President), DORIS (Treasurer). *Second Row:* CRADDOCK, MEYER, RAPPOLD, STANT, KRAUSE, MAY, HEYE, LINIHAN, LANSCH, LANGHORNE, CAMPBELL, STULTS, ORSINI, COGIN. *Third Row:* ATIENZA, O'DONNELL, O'KEEFE, ROCKETT, MOSS, KEARNS, SHEEHAN, FRAZER, FORD, BRUCH.

The Piedmont Club

Boasting a record membership, the Piedmont officers and floor leaders formulated a score of social events that characterized the active life of the club during 1934 and 1935. The "warm reception" given the new members is worthy of mention. The initiation left a "lasting impression" on the now full-fledged.

The Christmas season marked the date for the first outstanding social event of the Club—the 10th annual Smoker. Father Benedict, Rector, held the undivided attention of all, expounding the cardinal points of a sterling character.

The "bright lights" confined to the club rooms were a bridge tournament and three pool tournaments. Rogers emerged as the bridge champ and Sheehan the pool champ.

May brings the 1935 Club play: "And This Was Marshal Ney," a three-act drama, written by Father Placid.

June gives us the Annual Banquet—always a gala affair.

All in all, the Piedmont Club has enjoyed a fruitful and encouraging year.

Ascendamus!



Left to Right—*Front Row:* DIXON, BRUCH, VAUGHAN. *Second Row:* FATHER FRANCIS (Director), COGGIN, MEYER, DENGATE, STEELE, NORRIS. *Back Row:* MICHAEL, DENEHY, GASS, BALLARD.

The Abbey Glee Club

The Glee Club is composed of young men from the high school and college departments, day students as well as boarders. The purpose of this organization is to give an outlet to those students who are musically inclined and to furnish entertainment.

During the year 1934-35 the Glee Club worked on the following numbers:

"Then and Now" (Student Logic), four-part harmony, by F. S. Smith.

"My Little Banjo," four parts, by W. M. Dichmont.

"Drink to Me Only With Thine Eyes," old English air.

"Sweet Genevieve," by Henry Tucker.

"A Little Farm Well Tilled," by Giffe.

"The Bells of Notre Dame," by Gustar Klemm.

"Kentucky Babe" (plantation song), by Adam Geibel.

"The Gypsy's Song," by Isa B. Wilson.

"March Song," by V. E. Becker.



Left to Right—*Front Row:* FATHER FRANCIS (Choirmaster), FRATER ANSELM, FRATER BRENDAN, DEN-
GATE, COGGIN, FRATER HUGH, FRATER DAVID. *Second Row:* MEYER, SIEFLE, FRATER GILBERT, DIXON.
Back Row: STULTS, FRATER VINCENT, FRATER MARK.

The Abbey Cathedral Choir

The rendering of the Gregorian Chant and Polyphonic Sacred Music for liturgical functions is the purpose of this organization. It is composed of Clerics from the Philosophical and Theological departments and young men from the college department. The members receive systematic training in vocal culture, the rudiments of music and sight reading.

During 1934-35 the Abbey Cathedral Choir rendered the following Masses and Motets:

"Mass in E Flat," by Licinio Refice, Choirmaster of Saint Mary Major in Rome. (December 8.)

"Mass in Honor of Saint Augustine" (written for the XV Centenary of his death), by Vito Carnerali, organist of the parish church of the Vatican City. (March 21.)

"Missa Op. 50," by P. Griesbacher.

"Missa Quintadecima," by Michael Haller. Op. 53.

"Tota Pulchra Es Marie," by Ferrata.

Gregorian Masses sung during the year were:

"Missa Fons Bonetatis," "Cunctipotens Genitor Deus," "Missa de Angelis," "Missa Cum Jubilo," "Missa Orbis Factor."

On the greater feasts of the year the proper (Proprium) of the Masses was rendered according to the Vatican Gregorian Chant.



Left to Right *Front Row:* ULMER, RAHAIM, BURGER, HARRIS, BRENNAN, TALUM, MCGUINN, CRONIN, CHADWICK, NORTHEY. *Second Row:* FORD, E. O'DONNELL, GORDON, KEARNS, SARGEANT. *Third Row:* STIERTS, O'KEEFE, FLAHERTY, REV. F. NICHOLAS, O.S.B., *Master of Ceremonies*, J. O'DONNELL, BOLLMAN. *Fourth Row:* DORIS, ROGERS, FR. ANTHONY, *Assistant Master of Ceremonies*, STUPASKY, CAMPBELL.

Altar Boys' Society

The Altar Boys' Society, officially called St. John Berchmans' Society, was founded on September 15, 1914. Its object is to train students to serve at the altar and to take part in church services with modesty, piety and a religious bearing essential to so high and honorable a function.

These services, in all Benedictine abbey churches, are carried out with solemnity and a strict adherence to liturgical laws.

This year, as in previous years, the altar boys took a principal part in the major religious exercises. These were: Forty Hours Devotions (November 18-20), Feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8), Candlemas Day (February 2), Ash Wednesday (March 6), Feast of St. Benedict (March 21). Those students who remained over the holidays took part in the Christmas and Holy Week services.

The annual dinner will be held as usual in the college dining room the latter part of May.



Haid Gymnasium

Haid Gymnasium was built in 1930, at a cost of approximately \$75,000. It is named after Paul L. Haid, '04, a nephew of Bishop Leo Haid, our first abbot. It is generally conceded to be one of the finest collegiate gyms in the South. The playing floor is 120x60 and contains three basketball courts. The concrete stand on the side holds 300 spectators. There are special rooms for visiting teams, store rooms, coaches' rooms, showers, locker rooms, drying rooms—all of the latest type. Abbey basketball teams, famous throughout the Southeast, have won many games on this beautiful court and have twice been crowned North Carolina Junior College Champions.



THE YEAR

The Year

SEPTEMBER—

- 9—The doors fly open and 125 students rush in.
- 10—Forty football candidates report to Wheeler and Co.
- 11—Official opening: Solemn High Mass, Sermon by the Abbot. Teachers say "Hello. Now, for tomorrow—"
- 14—First assembly. "All homesick boys will leave the auditorium"—nobody leaves. Talks by Rector, Dean of Discipline, Coach and Father Francis.
- 16—Contact staff appointed. First meeting of the Piedmont Club, under President Steele and Moderator Father Rembert.
- 17—SPIRE staff appointed.
- 24—Picture of the football squad taken—and what a gang!
- 27—The Sauline Players give us "The Patsy." (Don't cry over spilt milk: there's enough water in it already.)
- 28—New Piedmonters initiated—biggest crowd of cry-babies you ever saw!

OCTOBER—

- 4—Bertha, the new bus arrives—all dressed up in red and black, the new school colors.
- 6—The Abbeymen lose their first football game to the Mars Hill Lions. 13-0.
- 13—Abbey takes Presbyterian Junior into camp. 18-0. Largest crowd ever.
- 18—Woman's Club of Belmont sets the boys up to supper.
- 20—Father Augustine dies. May his soul rest in peace. Abbey beats Boiling Spring Bulldogs 13-12. "Down in front!" Who *could* sit down!
- 29—Contract signed for the printing of this year book. (How you like *dot*!)

NOVEMBER—

- 3—Abbey beats Wingate Warriors at Monroe. 16-0.
- 12—Davidson Varsity Reserves beat Abbey at Gastonia. 8-6.
- 17—Abbey loses to Lees-McRae at Haid Field. 6-0.
- 21—"Big Jim" Farley and Washington officials pay a visit to Abbey.
- 24—The Red Jackets are ripped by Tennessee Wesleyan, in Athens, Tennessee, 19-0.
- 29—"Revenge with mud"; Abbey takes Oak Ridge, at Charlotte, 13-0.

DECEMBER—

- 2—Junior College coaches meet at the Abbey. Dengate, Litton and Santo make Junior College All-State.
- 6—Annual retreat begins. Given by Father Thomas Mackin, of Spartanburg, S. C.
- 8—Retreat closes. Pontifical High Mass in honor of the Immaculate Conception.
- 14—Abbey opens basketball season with a win over Larkwood Mills. 33-20.
- 15—The Red Jacket football squad feted in Belmont at the Woman's Club.
- 17—Abbey basketeers take the Paw Creek Hi's to the tune of 32-14.

THE BLUE SPIDE

DECEMBER—

- 19—The Tenth Annual Christmas Smoker of the Piedmont Club at the Woman's Club in Belmont. Look at him—eat!
- 20—The Red basketeers take a thriller from Mars Hill, 38-31. Wotta game!
- 21—Mad scramble after dinner for trains, buses, cars, wagons—or via thumbs. Merry Christmas!

JANUARY—

- 7—Haven't I met you somewhere before? Oh, yeah—welcome back to Abbey.
- 10—The Reds win a "warmer" from Cramerton Independents, 30-18.
- 16—Abbey trips over to Paw Creew Hi, falls all over itself, and comes back home nursing its hurt pride—22-17!
- 19—Boiling Springs refuses to boil—and Abbey cops, but only after a real game, 32-28.
- 21—"Ely" Rodgers wins the Piedmont Bridge Tournament.
- 22—Rutherford shows Abbey how to play basketball—43-34.
- 24—First Semester Exams start. Father, can I stay up till 12 o'clock?
- 25—Carolina Tar Babies cavort on Haid Gym—and like it. Abbey loses by a mere 20 points—40-20. Abbey "pugs" lose to Charlotte Hi by a mere point. (Alibi: We fought in their ring, and the referees, and the, and the)
- 28—The Abbey basketeers get back into their stride and trim Wingate, 37-26.
- 29—The next victim will please step right up—Abbey takes the Davidson Wildkittens, 32-13.

FEBRUARY—

- 1—The Abbey basketeers travel East and lose to the Duke Blue Imps on their beautiful court before a large crowd, 30-25. It was the first extra-period game of the year. "Josie" put one in behind the center line!
- 2—On to Chapel Hill. The Red Jackets lost to the Carolina Frosh in the Tin Can, 27-17. Abbey started off with an 8-0 lead but couldn't hold it.
- 3—The team arrived home and "Duck" Doris, the genial manager, took plenty of joshing about the lost games, the lost pants, etc., etc.
- 6—Abbey travels over to Boiling Springs and beats the Bulldogs, 39-27.
- 9—The Red Jackets trip down to Monroe and lose to the Warriors in a thriller, 31-28.
- 11—Presbyterian Junior College pays us a visit and we ungallantly send them home with a 42-33 licking.
- 14—Abbey takes to the road again and loses a hard fought battle to Rutherford by two points, 24-22.
- 15—The Mars Hill Lions get Abbey in their lair and take a heart-breaker, 31-30!
- 16—Let's give the Abbey boxers a cheer! The Charlotte Hi pugs come to Haid Gymn and take a beating: Abbey, 4; Charlotte Hi, 1.
- 19—The Blue Imps from Duke teach us a little basketball and hand us a trimming, 27-22.
- 22—In honor of the Father of our Country, we open the Junior College Tourney with a win over P. J. C.

FEBRUARY—

- 23—Abbey won the semi-finals from Mars Hill in the afternoon. At night beat Brevard in the finals and became the 1935 Junior College Basketball Champs! All Hail, Abbey Red Jackets!

MARCH—

- 1—"Milton's Daughters" plays to a packed house in the Abbey Auditorium. Father Placid's first play. Tollefson steals the show with his fine characterization of Milton.
5—"Milton's Daughters" plays to a goodly sized crowd at the Little Theatre in Charlotte. Many critics present. Tollefson again scores.
7-8-9—Gaston County High School Basketball Tourney in Haid Gym. Cherryville beat Tryon to win the Class B County Championship.
17—Amateur Night. "Milton's Slaves" ties with Dengate and Reilly for the prize. The four-act play, "Well, I Declare!" also well presented.
18—Baseball candidates called. About three teams respond. Prospects look fine.
21—Solemn Pontifical High Mass in honor of St. Benedict. Bishop Ryan, Rector of Catholic University, officiated. Abbot Vincent and many priests in the sanctuary. Father Eugene Egan, O.S.B., preached and the Cathedral Choir did itself proud. A fine dinner was served on this, the feastday of our rector and the feast of the founder of our Order.
30—THE SPIRE goes to press.

AND LOOKING FORWARD TO:

APRIL—

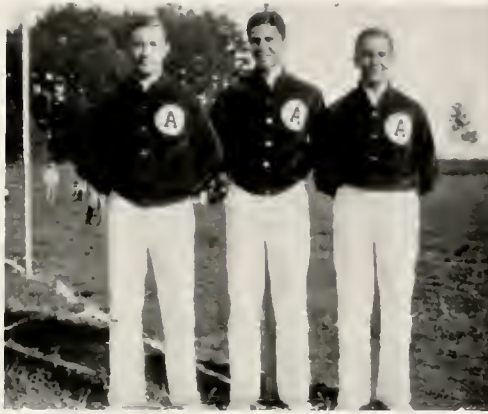
- 9—Rutherford opens the 1935 Abbey baseball season on Abbey Field.
15—Mars Hill comes here for the second game on our calendar.
17—Shouts of "Happy Easter!" as Abbeymen swarm.
27—P. J. C. comes to the Abbey diamond.
30—SPIRE off the press! Wotta Book! Wotta Book!!

MAY—

- 9—The Frosh-Soph Banquet at Efrd's ("Sweet Adeline" and "Auld Lang Syne").
10—Brevard (our fellow-finalists in the basketball tourney) sends its baseball team to Abbey Field.
11—Davidson Frosh nine our guests.
14—"And This Was Marshal Ney," the big Piedmont Club play of 1935 presented in the College Auditorium to a large (we hope) house. The second play of Father Placid, and his first three-act drama. Witten stars as "Marshal Ney."
16—Lookie, lookie—here comes Oak Ridge, our old football friends! But this time it's baseball on Abbey Field.
17—The Wingate 'Gators send their nine up this way. The last game of the 1935 season on Abbey Field.
23—The annual Altar Boys Banquet in the College Dining Hall.
30—Ascension Thursday. Solemn Pontifical Mass. Big dinner. Free day.

JUNE—

- 6—Fifty-seventh Commencement Day. Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving. Conferring of Diplomas and Degrees. Handshakes, pledges of undying friendship, rushes for parts known and unknown.



ABBEY CHEERLEADERS
ORSINI WITTEN DAVIS

Abbey Songs and Cheers

LOCOMOTIVE

B - E - L - M - O - N - T (Slow)
B - E - L - M - O - N - T (Faster)
B - E - L - M - O - N - T (Still Faster)
Abbey-Abbey-Abbey!

ABBEY MAN

He's a man!—
Who's a man?—
He's an ABBEY man!
Yaaaaay—(Name)

VICTORY SONG

On, on, Abbey men!
On to victory once again!
Abbey never fears nor doubts—
Abbey knows no tears. She shouts: Rah!
On, on, Abbey men!
On to victory once again!
Through our hills and dales today.
Through our hallowed walls of gray.
Hopes are high and hearts are gay—
On, Abbey men! Rah!

We want a touchdown!
Gotta have a touchdown!
(ad infinitum)

ALMA MATER

Hail to Belmont Abbey.
Home of all we love!
Shrine of our devotion—
Firm as stars above!

SONG—CHEER

A—(long drawn out and drop)
B— " " " " "
B— " " " " "
E— " " " " "
Y— " " " " "

Abbey-Abbey-Abbey!

Red and black our colors:
Ever they will fly
On the Piedmont breezes.
In the Abbey sky!

TIGER YELL

Rrrrrrrrrrr—rah! (Students rise and sit suddenly at "Rah!")
Rrrrrrrrrrr—rah! (Rise and sit)
Rrrrrrrrrrr—rah! (Rise and sit)
Ki. Yi. Yi—
Sis. sis. sis—
Boom. boom. boom—Bah!
Abbey—Abbey—Abbey!



Left to Right—Front Row: COGGIN, MEYER, DENGATE, FRAZER, CAMPBELL, KERNAN, REILLY, LANGHORNE. Back Row: SANTO, O'DONNELL, LINEHAN, DORIS, BUMGARDNER, ARMSTRONG, STANT, SHEEHAN, TOLLEFSON, KEARNS, MAURO.

The 1935 Monogram Club

OFFICERS

JAMES KERNAN

President

TIMOTHY KEARNS

Vice-President

WALTER COGGIN

Secretary

JOSEPH MAURO

Historian

The Abbey Monogram Club, organized in 1931, consists of all men who have earned letters in football or basketball or baseball or boxing.

The purposes of the organization are to foster a better school spirit at the College and to aid in the entertainment of the visiting teams.

Each year the Abbey Monogram Club sponsors a basketball tournament for the high schools of Gaston County. This tournament is held in March for the purpose of securing a more friendly attitude between Abbey and the people of Gaston County.

One member of the Monogram Club is annually awarded the Bishop Haid Trophy. This trophy, donated by Mr. Paul L. Haid, '04, in memory of his beloved uncle, is awarded to the best all around athlete. Thus far the awards have been as follows: 1929, Bernard J. Doris; 1930, Gerard J. Campbell; 1931, Leo H. Manley; 1932, Peter P. Wheeler; 1933, Louis H. Feldman; 1934, Dennis J. Kearns; 1935, ????



FOOTBALL

ALL STATE

The Season

MARS HILL, 13—ABBEY, 0



SANTO, Quarterback



DENGATE, Left End



LITTON, Tackle

The Black and Red got off on the wrong foot, it seems. Yet Coach Howard Wheeler vouches for the fact that the Abbey played a whale of a game 'way off in Lione town, enemy territory. He said the Lions are undoubtedly the best team the Abbey will face in the Junior College Conference. We hope so! Coach Roberts certainly molded a team in those boys. And was this Wirtz poison!

In the Mars Hill *Hilltop*, issued the day of the game, we saw a nice tribute to the Abbey. It was in an editorial for Organized Cheering. "Today we will meet one of the cleanest playing and hardest fighting teams of the season—Belmont Abbey."

The Asheville *Citizen*, of October 6th, gives you the following account. Read it and weep!

"With Wirtz clicking off a couple of nice touchdown dashes, Mars Hill College defeated Belmont Abbey here this afternoon on a muddy field, 13 to 0.

"In the second period the Lions obtained the ball in midfield and advanced to the 35-yard line from where Wirtz, Mars Hill's speedy halfback, promptly skirted his left end for a touchdown. The try for point failed.

"Then in the third period the Belmont eleven was backed deep in its territory and punted, Wirtz taking the ball on the Belmont 40 and bringing it back to score. Anderson bucked the line for the extra point.

"On both sprints Wirtz was given nice assistance by his mates. The Lions made nine first downs to Belmont's four, and gained 283 yards from scrimmage to Belmont's 54. The visitors never threatened to register or even get in Mars Hill territory.

"Wirtz dashed 15 yards to score on another play but a penalty was called on the Lions and Belmont was able to hold and kick out of danger.

"Tuter, Davis, Jarvis, Wirtz and Anderson starred for Mars Hill, while Santo, Pratt, Drennon and Dengate led the Belmont attack."



ABBEY, 18—PRESBYTERIAN, 0

With the Mount Holly band pouring forth symphonic selections on the brisk autumn air, with the pop and peanut vendors' cries, with the milling crowds, with the snappy, organized cheering, with all these features, Abbey staged its first home game on Saturday, October 13. P. J. C. came up from Maxton to be the victims of a revamped and rejuvenated Red and Black team.

The Abbeymen played without the services of Kippy Stults and Johnny Sedinger, both of whom were injured in the Mars Hill fray. This necessitated a change in the line-up and the coaches shuffled the men to good advantage.

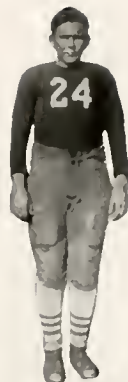
It was "Gaston County Day" and the good folk of the county came in flocks and brought the good will of the entire county with them. The "grandstand" could not hold a tenth of them. All the fine publicity which we received was due, in greatest measure, to Coach Roger. He also gave us the first program we ever used for a football game.

The *Charlotte Observer*, the *Charlotte News* and the *Gastonia Gazette* all carried the following:

"Before a record crowd of 2,000 fans, Belmont Abbey downed a fighting bunch of Presbyterians Saturday, 18 to 0. Coggin, Kearns, Bumgardner, Riley, Drennon and Armstrong played a great game for the Abbey, while Wells and Forde shone for the visitors.

"Wheeler used his entire squad which showed up well in piling up 18 first downs to P. C.'s three, two of them resulting from penalties. With Moore, Pratt and Santo carrying, Abbey drove to the 5-yard line, where Moore bucked over. Try for point failed.

"The rest of the quarter was largely a kicking duel. In the second, featured by Santo's punt returning, Abbey missed a fine chance to score when P. C. held on the goal line. The third opened with Bumgardner making 15 and 10 yards, Moore 11, and a triple pass netting 15. P. C. recovered an Abbey fumble, but Coggin blocked the punt and fell over for a touchdown. Try for point failed. After an exchange of punts, Kearns, Abbey back, intercepted a pass and returned it to the 20, where Pratt, Moore and Dunn drove down, Moore going over. The game ended as P. C. made a first down with the aid of an off-side penalty."



STULTS



PRATT



MOORE

ABBEY, 13—BOILING SPRINGS, 12



KEARNS



DUNN



COGGINS

Boy, was *this* a game! The Bulldogs came here snarling, snapping, yelping, smashing—determined to drag back to their lair a large slice of bacon labelled "Belmont Abbey." Did they? Almost, but not quite. It was quite a "Mount Holly Day" (Citizens Dunn, Moore and Pratt putting up the best exhibitions for the Red and the Black). Here's what the Charlotte News had to say on Sunday, October 21:

"Belmont Abbey played one of the hardest and best games ever seen here when they downed a fighting Boiling Springs eleven 13 to 12. The first quarter was largely a kicking duel in which Santo, diminutive Abbey quarterback, consistently shaded his opponents, having them in trouble frequently.

"The fireworks opened in the second when Ramsey, Boiling Springs quarterback, got off a bad kick to his own 35-yard line. After Moore and Pratt picked up 15 yards, Armstrong took a pass to the one yard line, where Moore bucked over. Pratt's kick for point was good.

"The visitors came back with an air attack that also carried the ball to Abbey's one yard line where it went over. A pass for point failed when Dunn knocked it down. The second half opened with Pratt, after a 40-yard run, placing the ball on Boiling's 12, where it looked like Abbey couldn't be stopped, but an intercepted forward pass spoiled the chance. Santo then kicked, the punt being partially blocked, Boiling Springs recovering on the Abbey's 25. A double lateral placed the ball on Abbey's two-yard line, and Ramsey skirted end for the touchdown. Again they failed to convert.

"Dunn, Moore and Pratt moved up the field from their own 12, and with the aid of a forward pass to Dunn, were on the five-yard strip, where Moore again went over, this time on a single plunge through center. The entire Abbey line played well. Beatty, Armstrong and Litton looked especially good. Santo, Moore and Pratt did most of the Abbey ball carrying, but Kearns and Dunn also looked well.

"A crowd of more than 500 saw the game."



ABBEY, 15—WINGATE, 0

It's always a pleasure to trounce our old friends from Monroe! Rivals for many years, the Wingate aggregation always gives Abbey a busy day, whether in football, basketball or baseball.

On November 3, Abbey met the Warriors on the Monroe High School field and played a game which Head Coach Wheeler characterized as "practically perfect." It was one of those days when everything clicks—the line was impenetrable, the backs fast and tricky, passes completed, fine interference. "We should have had six touchdowns" added Coach to the above—"but two were enough." Here are the details, m'lord:

Abbey scored in the first quarter. Santo smashed the line and stepped along handsomely for 40 yards, stopped on Wingate's 25-yard line by their safety man. Dunn shot a pass to Pratt (papers of Mount Holly please copy) who was downed on Wingate's five-yard line. Santo took the ball over and converted with a drop kick. Abbey 7.

In the second quarter Abbey scored on a "flea-flicker"—Pratt to Kears to Santo, from the 35-yard Wingate line. Pratt failed to convert. Abbey 13.

Wingate put up a stubborn defense in the second half. Time after time Abbey crashed the Wingate line but failed to get another touchdown. In the third quarter Kearns got away for a nice 40-yard run. Jackson, the Wingate half, played a whale of a game and stopped many Abbey attempts to score.

In the fourth frame Armstrong intercepted a Wingate pass and got loose for 20 yards, but Wingate got possession of the ball when Abbey had to kick.

Coach Roger was mighty proud of his linemen—Wingate failed to score even one first down through the Abbey line!

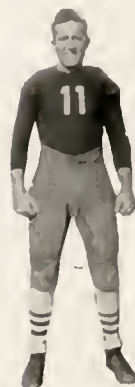
Those of the big Red and Black team who showed up best were: Santo, Meyer, Kearns, Moore, Stults, Mauro and Reilly.



BEATTY



ARMSTRONG



REILLY

1934 ABBE



Front Row—Meyer, Mauro, Stults (Captain), Coggin, Reilly, Pratt.
Second Row—Litton, Dunn, Stant, Kearns, Dengate.
Third Row—E. O'Donnell, Soule, Denchy, Sargeant, Campbell.

Y SQUAD



Fourth Row—Santo, J. O'Donnell, Frazer, McIntosh, Rogers.
Back Row—Howard Wheeler (Head Coach), Roger Wheeler (Line
Coach), Ilderton, Sheehan (Manager), Ed Cahill (Asst. Coach).

DAVIDSON RESERVES, 8—ABBEY, 6



MAURO



MEYER



BUMGARDNER

Well, the Wildcats scratched us, but not much. Conceded to beat Abbey by three touchdowns, they almost went down to defeat. If Peabody had not snaked his way through right tackle and deceived our secondary—oh, well. Here's what the *Charlotte Observer* said:

"Gastonia, Nov. 12.—The well-coached Davidson College Reserves, using a set of speedy pony backs to advantage on trick formations, eked out an 8 to 6 win over the strong Belmont Abbey team, one of the leaders in the state junior college race.

"The game, played at the local high school stadium, was the feature event of the Gastonia American Legion Post's Armistice celebration.

"The Reserves took an early lead and were never headed the rest of the game. In the latter part of the first period, Maurice Peabody, fast, hard-running Davidson fullback, shot off his right tackle, evaded several linemen, and outran the secondary on a 70-yard jaunt for a touchdown. A pass for the extra point was incomplete.

"The Reserves went ahead two more points early in the third quarter when Ross Santo fumbled behind his own goal and was tackled by several Wildcat forwards. However, the diminutive Abbey safety man played a great game for the losers.

"The mighty little mite Santo failed to break loose with any long runs today, but he's dangerous any time he has his hands on the ball. Abbey fans are comparing him with their famous Johnny Branch, and are already predicting an all-state junior college berth for him.

"The Wheeler machine shot the works in the last period to get their touchdown. In desperation for a marker, Santo started a deadly aerial attack, with himself at the helm, that carried the ball into Davidson territory and then on to the six points. Santo passed a long one to Dengate, sub end, on the four-yard line and he fell over the goal for the only Abbey score. Santo's drop kick attempt for extra point failed.

"Both teams played aggressive, smart football, featured by vicious tackling and the aerial attack of both sides. First downs were even with seven each.

"Besides little Santo, the Abbey had another star back in Kearns who went out early with an injury. Captain Kippy Stults, at center, was their line star."



LEES-McRAE, 6—ABBEY, 0

Now, if it wasn't for this Clark feller . . . and the fact that the Davidson Wildcats clawed us more than we knew at the time . . . and . . . oh, well—listen to the *Charlotte Observer* of November 18:

"A crippled Belmont Abbey eleven lost a hard-fought game today when it dropped a 6 to 0 decision to Lees-McRae. Though Abbey had a slight advantage in first downs, this was offset by Clark, Lees-McRae quarterback, who personally took charge of things, scoring the winning touchdown and getting loose time after time for large gains.

"Clark played the entire game, carrying the ball four-fifths of the time. The Abbeymen threatened several times, but could never muster enough strength for a scoring punch. On the last play of the game it seemed certain that the Abbeyes would at least knot the count, when Santo shot a long pass to Mauro, good for 40 yards, but he was caught from behind, just when it seemed that he was away.

"Lees-McRae scored in the second period, taking the ball on their own 40, and aided by a brilliant 30-yard run by Brank, to the Abbey 19-yard strip, where Clark in five attempts took it over. A kick for point was wide.

"In the Abbey line, Stults, Drennon and Stant showed up well, and in the ball carrying department, the hard charging of Moore, and the kicking of Santo were the features. For Lees-McRae, the big shot was Clark, who handled the ball no less than 24 times, piled up the big majority of the visitors' gains "



STANT



CAMPBELL



FRAZER

TENNESSEE WESLEYAN, 19—ABBEEY, 0



J. O'DONNELL



McINTOSH



DENHY

On November 24th the Abbey Red Jackets (new name) played the Tennessee Wesleyan Bulldogs in their home territory, Athens, Tenn. The long jaunt, coupled with the fact that four regulars were crippled, had much to do with the defeat of the Abbeymen. The Bulldogs have the reputation of being one of the very best junior college outfits in the entire South. They frequently take on senior colleges and this past season defeated one college that had taken the measure of Lenoir Rhyne, of the Little Six. The Bulldogs also gave our friends from Mars Hill a pasting to the tune of 31-0. So, by comparative scores . . . which don't mean a thing!

After taking their first look at the hefty Bulldogs, Abbey took to the air. To use the proverbial saw: the air was filled with footballs, most frequently knocked down by one "Dangerous Dan McGhee," full-back for the aforementioned Wesleyan Bulldogs. The Wesleyanites got their first touchdown late in the second quarter by means of a 20-yard sprint down the sidelines.

The *News-Sentinel* takes up the story:

"The stubborn North Carolinians came back in the second half with a smooth passing attack that took them deep into Wesleyan's territory several times. The aerial attack was broken up by Big Red McGhee of Wesleyan, who intercepted a long pass and carried the ball down the field for the Bulldog's second marker. Delaney took the ball on a reverse around left end and scored the Bulldog's final touchdown after Wesleyan got possession of the ball in midfield by holding Belmont Abbey for downs."

The Abbey reserves played a whale of a game and gained some experience which will stand them in good stead in next year's tussles.

It was in this game that the Abbeymen trotted out on the field donned in their new red jackets with hoods attached, thus earning their new title: Red Jackets.

No major injuries were reported, so the squad was in good shape for the final game of the season with the Oak Ridge Kaydets, played on Turkey Day, at Robbie's Field, Charlotte.



ABBEY, 13—OAK RIDGE, 0

There's a new play on Broadway: "Revenge With Music," but our revenge was "Revenge With Mud." As Ted Husing would say: "The field was a veritable quagmire." Afraid that we might lose our traditional modesty giving our own account of this game, we turn you over to Erwin Dickson of the *Charlotte News* (November 29):

"Paced by Santo and Moore, Belmont Abbey gained a 13-0 decision over Oak Ridge this morning at Robbie's Field, on a muddy gridiron. Neither team threatened seriously during the first half. Rosen, Oak Ridge quarterback, raced 29 yards in the first quarter. Santo, speedy Abbey halfback, sprinted around right end for 31 yards. The Abbeyes failed to gain and for the remainder of the first half a punting duel ensued, with the honors equally divided.

"Belmont Abbey scored first in the third quarter. Canada, Oak Ridge tackle, went back to punt but his kick was blocked by an Abbey lineman, and Armstrong, an end, fell on the ball over the goal line for a touchdown. Santo attempted to pass for the extra point but it was broken up.

"In the last quarter the Abbeyes put the ball in scoring position with a pass from Santo to Dengate, left end, which was good for 15 yards. The ball was on the 10-yard line. Santo hit the Oak Ridge line twice, placing the ball on the two-yard line. Moore, the fullback, then cracked the line, going over for a touchdown on his second line buck. Try for extra point was successful this time, with Santo passing to Armstrong. . .

"The muddy field prevented the speedy backs on both sides from really cutting loose. Santo did some good running for Abbey, and Moore, his teammate, gained a lot of ground on line plunges.

"Brinkley and Rosen looked best in the Oak Ridge backfield, while Arenson, Blum and Famaghetti looked good in the line.

"In the Abbey line Captain Stults, Litton, Mauro and Dengate all played good ball."

Thank you, Erwin. But you didn't tell the folks about the 1,200 customers, the Charlotte High Band (capes 'n all), the Mayor's presence, the Abbey's new Red Jackets, the Purol Pro officials.

It was "Revenge With Mud" for the loss in the finals of the State Basketball Championship last year!



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Looking Backward

All in all, it was a good season. Four wins—four losses. Three Red Jackets made the Junior College All-State: Santo, Dengate and Litton. The squad took some long jaunts, invading an entirely new section of the country, Tennessee. The Junior Varsity and the Abbey Minims played good football (the Juniors have been undefeated for six years!). As Al Smith would say: "Let's look in the record." And here's what the Varsity did:

THE RED JACKET SUMMARY, 1934

Abbey	0	Mars Hill	13
Abbey	18	Presbyterian	0
Abbey	13	Boiling Springs	12
Abbey	15	Wingate	0
Abbey	6	Davidson Varsity Reserves	8
Abbey	0	Lees-McRae	6
Abbey	0	Tennessee Wesleyan	19
Abbey	13	Oak Ridge	0
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BASKETBALL



The 1935 North Carolina Junior College Champions

(From Left to Right)

Front Row: KEARNS, SANTO, DARBY, LANSCH, DENGATE (Co-Captain), MAURO (Co-Captain), KERNAN, REILLY, BUMGARDNER, CAMPBELL.

Back Row: DORIS (Manager), COACH HUMPHY WHEELER, ROCKETT, E.O'DONNELL, COGGIN, WITTEN, BRUCH, HAEZEL.

The Season

ABBEY 33—LARKWOOD 20

The first game of the '34 season, although only a practice game, showed the power of the Abbey five. Clicking with all five men, the team ran up a score of 33 points to 20 for Larkwood; and Larkwood is no easy team to beat!

Dengate led the Abbey scoring with 17 points, while Mauro came second with 10. Nice work, Charleston! For the visitors, Banker and Davis were outstanding.

ABBEY 32—PAW CREEK 14

On the 17th of December the Abbey defeated Paw Creek 32 to 14. This game gave an idea of how much material Coach had to work with, and the power of the team as a whole. The Paw Creek outfit had defeated the Davidson Frosh just three days before.

The team worked smoothly enough the first half, but the game became rough afterwards with a total of 28 fouls being committed by both teams. Using the second string in the second quarter, Coach gave the first line-up a rest.

Reilly, Dengate, Kernan and Mauro all played such an excellent game that it would be unfair to give any of them the laurel. Wood was outstanding on the Paw Creek five.

ABBEY 38—MARS HILL 31

On December 20, Belmont Abbey defeated Mars Hill in a home thriller, the final score being 38 to 31.

The visiting team came here confident that they had the game tucked away in the victory list, but the determined Abbey squad outplayed the Lions at every point. It was anyone's game until the final whistle blew.

Campbell and Kernan played a marvelous game for Abbey, both on defense and offense. Dengate played a beautiful game at the pivot position. Chat-ham and Kell were the stars for the Mars Hill quint. Nice work, boys!

REDS TRIM BOILING SPRINGS

Running off the second conference game on the home court, the Red Jackets defeated their old rival, Boiling Springs, in a close but ragged game on January 19. The final whistle caught the Abbeyites leading 32 to 28.

Although far off their usual flashy, clicking style, the home team managed to keep a point lead in each of the first three quarters. Mauro, lacking his renowned comet-like offensive and daring initiative, failed to rally the team towards an exciting game.

Baker and Harrill led the visitors in a fair game of ball. For the Red quint, Kernan and Bumgardner played a faultless game. Mauro led in scoring with eleven points.

ABBEY 34—RUTHERFORD 43

On January 22, the Reds were defeated by a rangy Rutherford quint in a conference game. After a slow start, the Abbeyes bowed to the visitors by a score of 44 to 34.

Making bad passes, failing to make shots good, the home team looked nervous and ragged on the floor. Rutherford held the upper hand throughout with the Reds vainly trying to pull themselves together.

Kernan and Dengate were the mainstays of the Abbey on defense and offense. Dengate contributed 19 of our 34 points.

TAR BABIES WIN

On January 25, the Carolina Frosh paid us a visit and returned home with the victor's laurel. The final whistle gave the visitors 40 to 20.

With their minds more on exams than basketball, the Abbeyites failed to click from the first whistle to the last. In the third quarter the Reds scored only one point.

The interest of the game centered around Mullis, a former Charlotte High star, and Josie Mauro, our flashy guard. Mauro took the game coolly, while Mullis became hot-headed and fouled himself out of the game.

Santo and Reilly played good ball for the home team. Bershak and Merony starred for the visitors.

WINGATE BOWS TO REDS

Displaying smooth floor work and team coöperation, the Abbey rode to victory over Wingate, on January 28, by a score of 37 to 26.

With good passing and a determined initiative, it would be hard to judge who played the best game for the home team.

Mauro, needless to say, carried high score honors with 13 points. Kernan and Reilly played a beautiful game from the floor. The Red victors swept their opponents off their feet by scoring 15 points before Wingate could get settled down to find what it was all about. Nice game!

RED JACKETS TROUNCE DAVIDSON

On January 29, Abbey took Davidson Frosh's measurements, 32 to 13. The game looked only mediocre because the losing team was so entirely outclassed by a smooth-working, shifty Red Jacket quint.

Mauro was high scorer for the evening with 11 points. Dengate played a whale of a game while Barrow was outstanding for the visitors.

DUKE WINS OVER REDS

Traveling to Durham on February 1, the Abbey quintet met defeat at the hands of the Duke Freshmen after the game went an extra period. The final score gave Abbey 25, Duke 30.

The outstanding play in the game came in the last five seconds of playing when Mauro, our outstanding guard, sank a goal from beyond the middle of the court to tie the score.

Although the Red Jackets lost in the final period, Mauro was highly praised for his superb playing during the entire game.

Josie was also high scorer with nine points, while Dengate was close at his heels with eight.

REDS LOSE TO TAR BABIES

In the return game with Carolina Frosh on February 2, Abbey was downed in the Chapel Hill Tin Can to the tune of 27 to 17.

The Tar Babies didn't get under way soon enough and Abbey grabbed an early lead which she ran up to 8-0. Carolina came back strong and at the half the University boys were leading by the narrow margin of two points, 14-12. Abbey scored only five points in the entire last half!

Dengate led the Abbey attack with his fine floor work, while Woltz, Santo and Mauro tied for high score with three points each. Mullis led the N. C. team with nine.

ABBEY VICTOR

Visiting Boiling Springs on February 6, the Red Jackets were victorious by a decisive score of 39 to 27.

Snatching an early lead, the Abbey blasted their way to victory. With Mauro leading the Reds in scoring with 17 points, Kernan played the faultless floor game of the evening. Holliefield played a heads up game for the Boiling Springs outfit.

ABBEY NOSED OUT BY 'GATORS

On February 9, playing at Wingate, the Red Jackets were nosed out by a close score of 31-28. Playing an erratic and slow game, the Abbey was unable to grab a lead over the rangy Wingate cagers.

Mauro again seems to be field general by scoring 8 points. Campbell also played a fine game for the Reds. Love and Crayton were the main cogs in the Wingate team.

REDS SCALP P. J. C.

On February 12, Presbyterian Junior College visited us only to be sent back reeling with a 42-33 defeat. The Red Jackets were unrelenting in their aggressive attack and seemed unable to miss the basket.

Dengate was high scorer while Kernan was star on defense.

JACKETS NIPPED

In a close thriller at Rutherford, the Abbey Red Jackets were nosed out by a hairline score of 24 to 22 on the evening of February 14.

In was an evening when breaks just didn't seem to find a resting place with our team. Mauro and Dengate led in scoring with 8 and 6 points. Woltz played a nice floor game.

LOCALS SET BACK

Continuing their trip from Rutherford, the Abbey basketballers went to Asheville where they met a setback in a hectic battle with Mars Hill, conceded No. 1 in the Junior College Tournament at Charlotte, 31 to 30.

Despite the defeat, the Red team played faultless ball throughout. This was a heart-breaker to lose.

BLUE IMPS TRIP REDS

Playing one of the best games ever witnessed on the Abbey court, the Duke Frosh, on February 19, nosed out the Abbey Red Jackets by a 27 to 22 score.

With excellent passing and superb guarding, the Red team played its outstanding game of the season.

The large crowd on hand was wild with excitement as the two teams vied for goals. Until the final whistle blew, no one was sure which team would be in the lead, but near the end the Blue Imps put on a spurt which surpassed the best efforts of the Red Jackets.

Campbell and Dengate tied for high score honors with six points each, while Edwards starred for the Blue Imps.

ABBEY 18—WILDKITTENS 24

On February 26, the Abbey basketballers, newly crowned 1935 Junior College champs, journeyed to Davidson, to meet the Wildkittens—and lost, 24-18. The strain of the tournament was too much for the Red Jackets and, although the score at the half was 9-9, the old fight was gone in the second half. Too bad the champs could not have finished in a blaze of glory but—well, that's what makes basketball—basketball.

The Tournament

Highlights of the Second Annual North Carolina Junior College Tournament, held at the Alexander Graham School, Charlotte, N. C., February 22-23, 1935:

Abbey opens with a bang-up game against Presbyterian . . . P. J. C. held to *one* point in the first quarter! . . . the old No. 1 play works to perfection . . . the fine officiating of Dean Hammond and Dub McLeod . . . those blazers . . . Woltz high man with 11 points . . . the wonderful progress shown by Tessie Campbell . . . 37-16!

Abbey conceded to be the underdog to Mars Hill in the second game . . . Mars Hill, seeded No. 1, the nation's highest scoring team, the great Murrell, etc., goes down before the Red Jackets 34-23! . . . the Abbey keeps the ball away from the Lions, thus making them play Abbey's style . . . Abbey holds the lead all through the game . . . good crowd . . . voted by the customers to be the best game of the tournament.

The finals—Abbey irresistible! Literally swamp Brevard, the dark horse, 31-17! . . . skill and precision *par excellence* . . . the old No. 1 play again . . . Jerry Gerard, the big Duke gun, officiating with eagle eye and powerful whistle . . . Woltz again high man . . . the cheers and back-slapping when the final whistle blew!

THE AFTERMATH

Co-captains Mauro and Dengate receive the Schiffman Trophy from Bob Allen . . . Woltz receives the medal for best sportsmanship . . . also the medal for high scorer of the tournament . . . Dengate receives the medal for most valuable player in the tournament . . . Woltz, Mauro and Dengate make the All-State Junior College Five . . . what a clean-up!

The 1935 Abbey Basketball Record

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Abbey	32	Paw Creek	14
Abbey	38	Mars Hill	31
Abbey	16	Paw Creek	22
Abbey	32	Boiling Springs	28
Abbey	34	Rutherford	43
Abbey	20	North Carolina Frosh	40
Abbey	37	Wingate	26
Abbey	32	Davidson Frosh	13
Abbey	25	Duke Frosh	30
Abbey	17	North Carolina Frosh	27
Abbey	39	Boiling Springs	27
Abbey	28	Wingate	31
Abbey	42	Presbyterian	33
Abbey	22	Rutherford	24
Abbey	30	Mars Hill	31
Abbey	22	Duke Frosh	27
Abbey	18	Davidson Frosh	24

STATE TOURNAMENT

Abbey	37	Presbyterian	16
Abbey	34	Mars Hill	23
Abbey	31	Brevard	17

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Left to Right—Front Row: KEARNS, CAMPBELL, GASS, SANTO, BUMGARDNER, MAURO, LANGHORNE, THOMAS. Back Row: COGGIN, DENGATE, ARMSTRONG, MEYER, DENEHY, JONES, ATIENZA (Manager).

The 1935 Abbey Baseball Squad

From our crow's nest things look bright for the 1935 Baseball season. For the last few years Abbey has been taking it "one-two-three—you're out!" But it's going to be a different story from now on. With a strong pitching staff, good catchers, snappy infield, fly-paper outfielders—and *good* willow-wielders—well, what do *you* want!

Gentlemen, the 1935 Baseball Schedule:

April 9	Rutherford—Here.	May 4	Brevard—Away
April 15	Mars Hill—Here.	May 10	Brevard—Here.
April 25	Davidson Frosh—Away.	May 11	Davidson Frosh—Here.
April 27	P. J. C.—Here.	May 16	Oak Ridge—Here.
May 2	Rutherford—Away	May 17	Wingate—Here.
May 3	Mars Hill—Away.	May 20	P. J. C.—Away.
		May 21	Wingate—Away.



*Front Row (left to right): LOMINAC, FRAZER, SARGEANT, KEARNS.
Back Row: ANDERSON, ORSINI, O'DONNELL, MCINTOSH, STANT, LINEHAN, Manager.*

The Boxing Team

Taking up where Pee Wee Russell left off, Tom Hanna rounded out Abbey's second boxing team until it became a real threat. Two wins and three losses is the season's total. O'Donnell, Stant and McIntosh (Golden Glovers) showed up well and Timmy Kearns won every one of his fights.

THE SCHEDULE

January	19—Charlotte High	3½	(There)
	Abbey	2½	
February	11—Statesville High	1	(There)
	Abbey	4	
February	16—Charlotte High	1	(Here)
	Abbey	4	
February	22—Mount Holly High	3	(There)
	Abbey	1	
March	1—Charlotte High	3	(There)
	Abbey	2	

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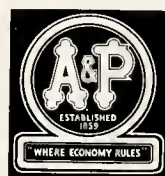
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Federal Land Bank Bonds, Home Owners' Loan Corporation Bonds, Federal Intermediate Credit Bank Collateral Trust Debentures, and Listed Bonds	2,116,532.32
State of North Carolina Bonds, and Municipal Bonds and Notes	4,227,931.42
Other State of North Carolina bonds in escrow for exemption of common stock from assessment	612,394.51
Loans eligible for rediscount by Federal Reserve Bank	4,811,230.79
Loans secured by listed stocks and bonds	1,885,324.75
Accrued Interest on Bonds	162,798.64
Other high grade, well-secured loans to banks, firms, corporations, and individuals	3,632,968.45
Cash surrender value life insurance policies carried on the officers of the bank	39,302.50
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Customers' Liability under Letters of Credit and Acceptances	543,686.26
Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures	327,354.08
Property adjoining present banking quarters purchased for expansion	143,901.33
Reserve for Depreciation	\$ 471,255.41 91,635.34
Payment to Temporary Federal Deposit Insurance Fund (\$13,721.97) carried at	1.00
Other Real Estate (the recent appraised value of which is \$185,784.00 and the assessed value of which is \$149,014.38)	1.00
	\$41,013,755.71
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Capital Stock	\$ 1,200,000.00
Surplus	800,000.00
Undivided Profits	435,897.03
	1,235,897.03
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